On Long-term basis following measures are being taken:—

(1) Exchange of 100 mgd of treated sewage affluent for raw water from Haryana.

(2) To seek water from the Tehri Dam in U.P.

(3) Construction of a storage dam at Kishau on the Tons river, a tributory of the Yamuna in U.P. and of a dam on the Giri river, a tributory of the Yamuna in Himachal Pradesh. 200 mgd of water is likely to become available to Delhi on the completion of the aforementioned projects.

Strengthening of Central Plant protection Institute, Hyderabad

1291. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to strengthen the central plant protection institute at Rajendra Nagar, Hyderabad in view of the increasing menace of pest and insect attacks in the country; and

(b) if so, what specific steps are proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Strengthening will consist of additions to the teaching faculty and other staff, and additional infrastructural facilities like equipment, building, farms etc.

Anti-pollution schemes in Visakhapatnam Steel plant

1292. PROF. C LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the latest amount fixed for the development of Visakhapatnam Steel Plant;

(b) what part of the amount would be spent on the anti-pollution schemes of the steel plant; and

(c) what schemes have been suggested by the state pollution board and Central Environment Directorate in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MAKHAN LAL FOTEDAR): (a) Rs. 6849.70 crores as per fourth quarter, 1987 prices.

(b) Rs. 360 crores (approximately).

(c) Additional major anti-pollution measures suggested are as follows:—

(i) Monitoring of ambient air and water quality in and around the plant as well as Zoological Park and Kondakarla Lake;

(ii) Afforestation covering an area of 3,600 hectares, including 500-metre green belt along the boundary within the plant's acquired land;

(iii) Re-location of slag dump away from the sea-shore; and

(iv) Re-use of treated waste water for irrigation and afforestation areas.

Setting up of National Radio Station at Nagpur

1293. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what are the advantages expected out of the installation of National Radio Station of 1000 KV transmitter at Nagpur;

(b) the area likely to be covered by this new transmitter;

(c) the expenditure incurred over this installation; and

(d) whether Government propose to install 20 or 25, 5 to 10 KV power A M transmitter at different regional centres in the country playing the same pre-recorded tapes at the same time?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

(SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) The main objective of establishing a dedicated national service with a 1000 KW transmitter at Nagpur is to make a beginning for separate broadcasting channel, exclusively for national programmes to cover major portion of the country during night time.

(b) The area served by this transmitter is 1613300 Sq. Kms.

(c) Rs. 1161.29 lakhs.

(d) For the present there is no such proopsal under consideration.

Land requisition for Housing

1294. SHRI YASHWANT SINHA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the disputes relating to land requisition have been on the increase in the recent past;

(b) if so, whether several State Governments have acquired agricultural land for the purpose of housing;

(c) whether there is any criterion for declaring the agricultural land as non-agricultural; and

(d) if so, what are the norms in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

1295. [*Transferred to the 10th August*, 1988]

National research centre on cold water fisheries at haldwani

1296. SHRI HARI SINGH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a National Research Centre on cold water fisheries is functioning at Haldwani in District Nainital of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) the projects taken so far in this regard and progress of those projects; and

(c) the number of scientists and research fellows engaged in the above Centre?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HARI KRISHNA SHASTRI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Centre has initiated two specific research projects, namely, (i) development of hatchery, nursery and production of stockable seed of golden mahseer at Bhimtal and (ii) productivity and fisheries of selected Kumaon Lakes.

(c) Four scientists under the leadership of Project Director are engaged in conducting these research projects.

शल्क लाख उद्योग का आधुनिकीकरण और राष्ट्रीयकरण

1297. **श्री राम अवधेश सिंह** : क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) लाख उद्योग का आधुनिकीकरण तथा राष्ट्रीयकरण करने के साथ-साथ इसके विकास और निर्यात में वृद्धि करने के लिये सरकार द्वारा क्या-क्या कदम उठाये जाने का विचार है ;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार स्टीक लाख पैदा करने वाले आदिवासी किसानों को हो रही बढ़ती हानि की पूर्ति के लिये न्यूनतम मूल्य निर्धारित करने का विचार रखती है; और

(ग) क्या सरकार आदिवासी किसानों को न्यूनतम मूल्य उपलब्ध कराने के लिये इसका एक आरक्षित भंडार कायम करने और इस संबंध में अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय बाजार में सट्टे बाजारी को समाप्त करने का विचार रखती है ?

कृषि मंत्रालय में कृषि और सहकारिता विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री श्याम लाल यादव) : (क) से (ग) सूचना एकत्र